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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/668,234	Applicant(s) SEKO, TOSHIHARU	
	Examiner Leonardo Andújar	Art Unit 2826	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 March 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-14 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 8-14 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's election without traverse of group I (claims 1-7) in the reply filed on 03/18/2005 is acknowledged.

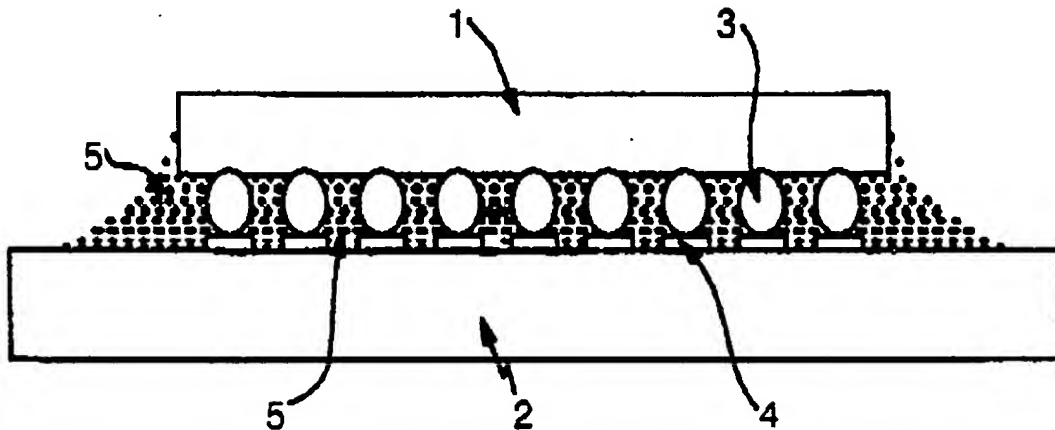
Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. Claims 1-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Papathomas et al. (US 5,656,862).
4. Regarding claims 1 and 7, Papathomas (e.g. fig. 1) shows a semiconductor device comprising: an insulating substrate 2 having an interconnection pattern 4; a semiconductor element 1, having a projecting electrode 3, electrically connected to the interconnection pattern via the projecting electrode; and a resin fillet 5 for anchoring the semiconductor element on the insulating substrate, the resin fillet being an insulating resin (e.g. epoxy resin) containing at least a resin anti-repellent such as a surfactant (col. 4/lis. 1-18 & col. 14/lis. 31-42). Although Papathomas does not explicitly teach that this anti repellent improves the wettability of the insulating resin for the interconnection pattern and the insulating substrate this limitation is an inherent property of the material (i.e. Triton X-100).



5. Regarding claim 2, Papathomas teaches that the anti repellent is a surfactant such as Triton X-100. Papathomas does not explicitly teach that this anti repellent improves the wettability of the insulating resin for the interconnection pattern and the insulating substrate. Nevertheless, this limitation is an inherent property of the material.

6. Regarding claim 3, Papathomas insulating substrate may comprise an insulating tape that is bendable (e.g. polyimide substrate; claim 22).

7. Regarding claim 4, Papathomas teaches that the resin anti-repellent is a surfactant. (e.g. Triton X-100; col. 14/lls. 31-42).

8. Regarding claim 5, Papathomas teaches that insulating resin is a light curable resin or a thermosetting resin (e.g. epoxy resin col. 4/lls. 1-18 & col. 9/lls. 31-40)

9. Regarding claim 6, Papathomas teaches that the insulating resin contains conductive particles dispersed in the insulating resin (col. 9/lls. 31-40).

Conclusion

10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Leonardo Andújar whose telephone number is 571-272-

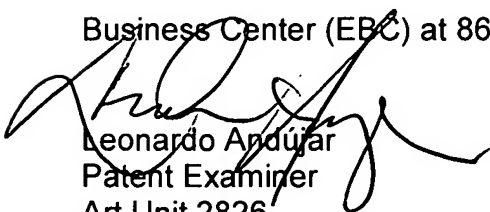
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1912. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon through Thu from 9:00 AM to 7:30 PM EST.

11. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nathan J. Flynn can be reached on 571-272-1915. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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